

REMARKS

After entry of this Amendment, Claims 1, 2, 5-11 and 13 will be all the claims pending in the application. Claim 11 has been amended to incorporate the features of Claim 12, and Claim 12 has been canceled. Claim 13 has been amended according to the Examiner's suggestion in the Office Action of January 22, 2008 to recite "[a] method of search for a potent antifungal compound...." Claim 14 has been canceled. Support for the amendment to Claim 13 may be found in the specification, e.g., at page 63, lines 11-15, and page 66, lines 1-6.

No new matter has been added.

Entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested.

Preliminary Matters

Applicants thank the Examiner for entering Applicants' submission filed on January 9, 2008, for allowing elected Claims 1-2 and 5-10, and for rejoining withdrawn Claims 11-13 with the elected invention.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner states that Claim 14 remains withdrawn as allegedly drawn to a non-elected invention.

In response, and while not admitting that the restriction requirement is appropriate, Claim 14 has been canceled.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

On page 2 of the Office Action, Claims 11 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

In response, and while not admitting that the rejection is appropriate, Claim 11 has been amended to incorporate the features of Claim 12, solely in order to advance the prosecution.

Further Claim 13 has been amended according to the Examiner's suggestion in the Office Action of January 22, 2008 to recite "[a] method of search for a potent antifungal compound...."

Accordingly, present Claims 11 and 13 are believed to overcome this rejection.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.


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